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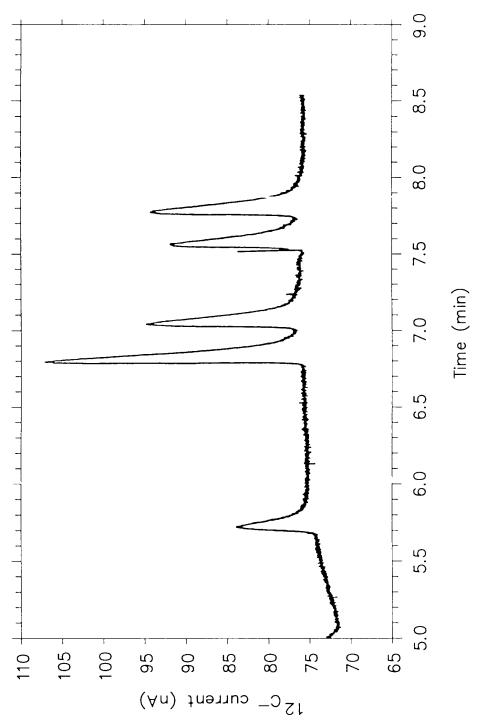


FIG. 1

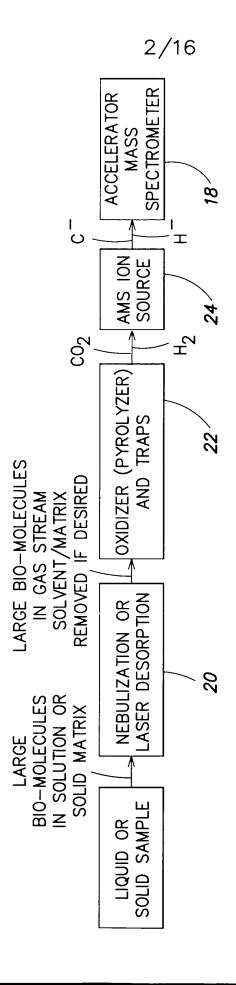


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FIG. 3

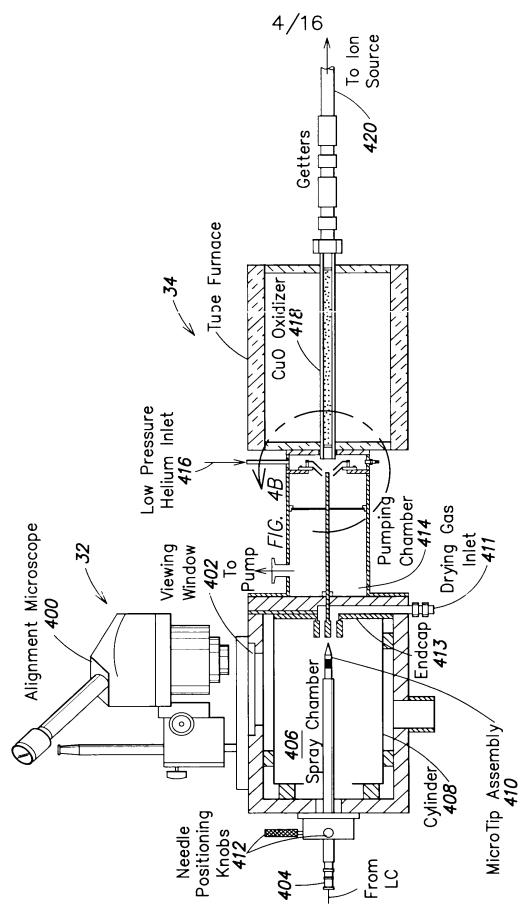
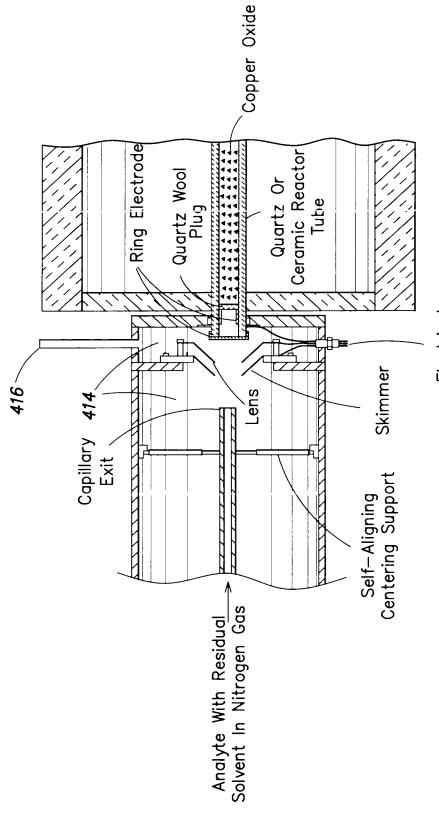


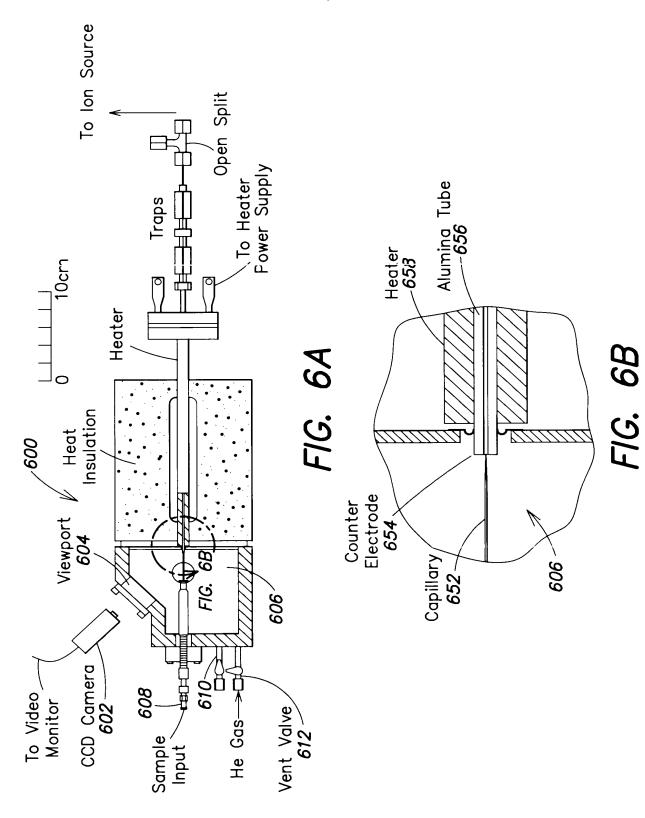
FIG. 4A



Electrical Feedthru

FIG. 4B

FIG. 5



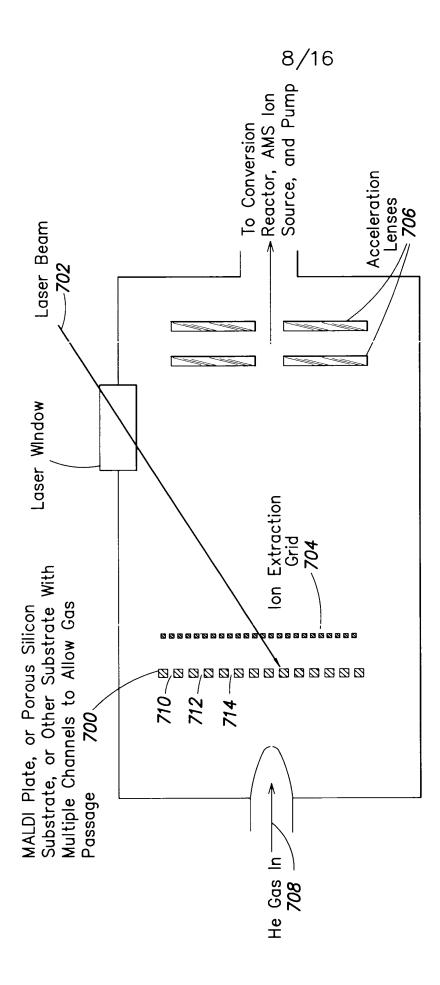
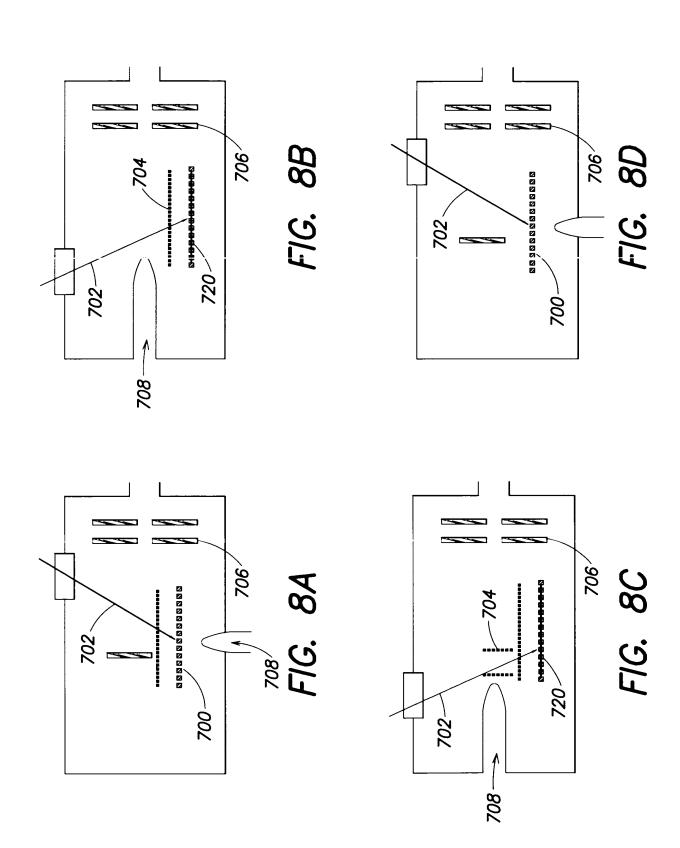


FIG. 7



Dispensing Apparatus

Sample

Bed 904

Sample

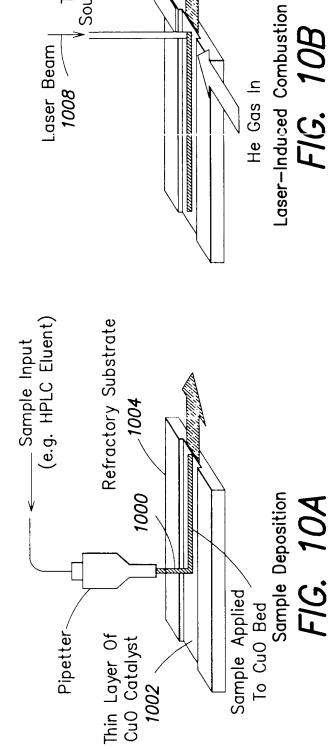


FIG. 10B

He Gas In

CO₂ in He
To AMS Ion
Source Or Other
Apparatus

Laser Beam

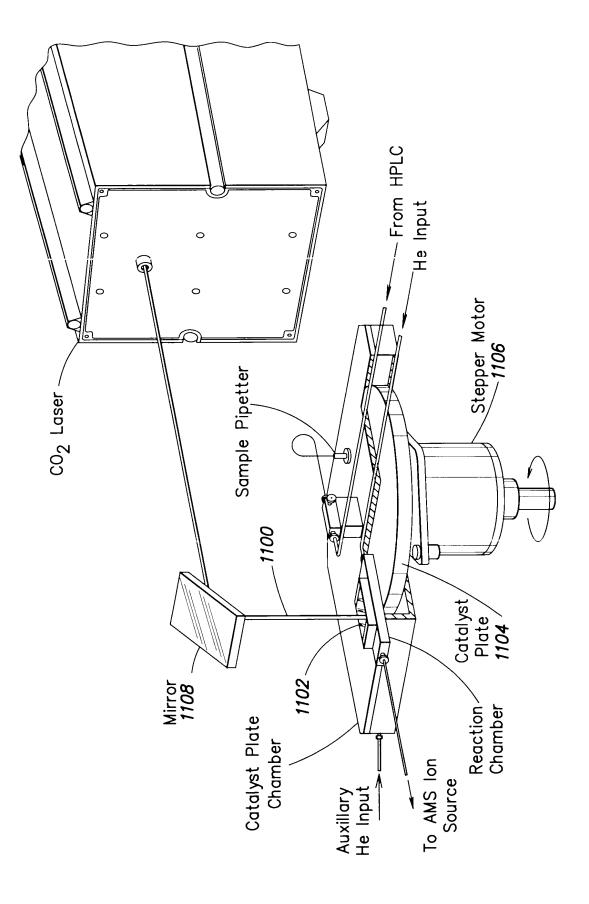


FIG. 11A

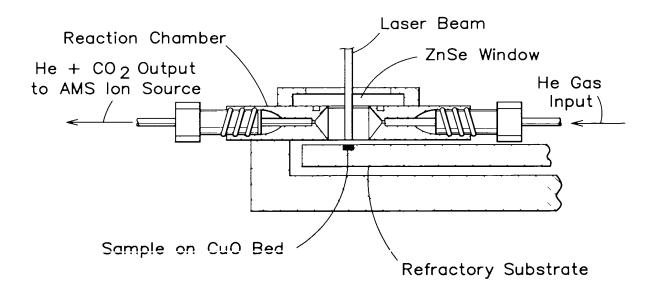


FIG. 11B

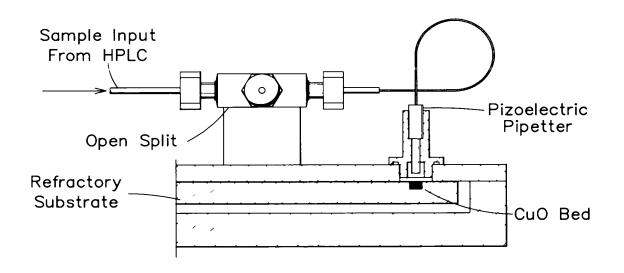
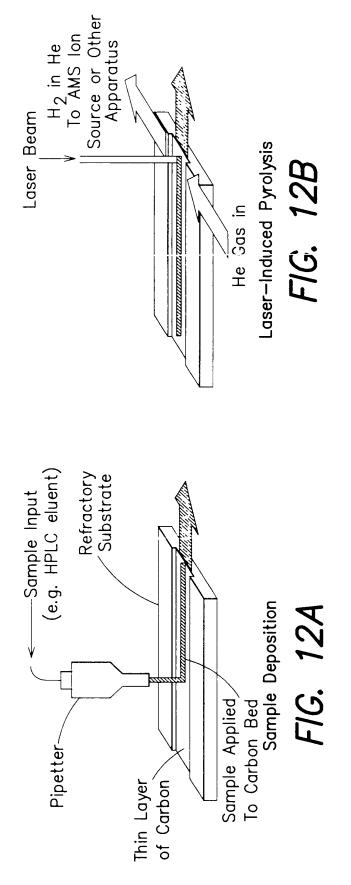
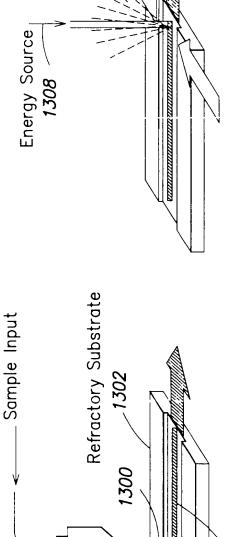


FIG. 11C





Sample Dispensing

Apparatus 1304

Sample Bed

1306

Conversion in Ion Source FIG. 13B

Sample Deposition

Sample Applied

To Sample Bed

FIG. 13A

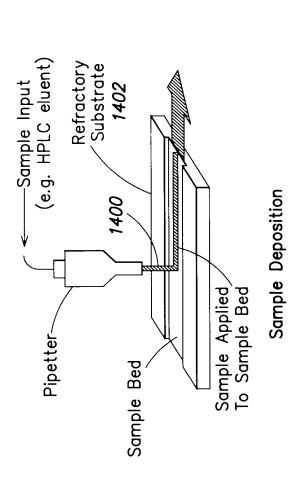
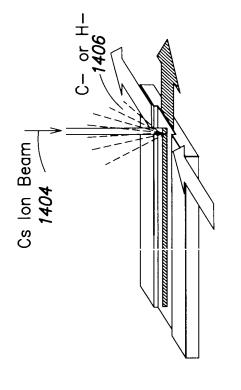


FIG. 14A



Conversion in Ion Source

FIG. 14B

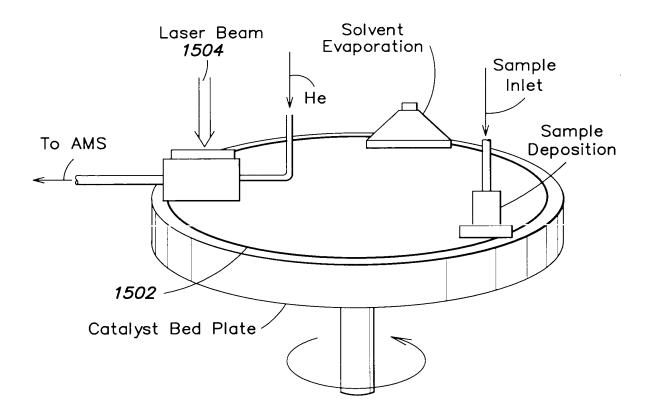


FIG. 15

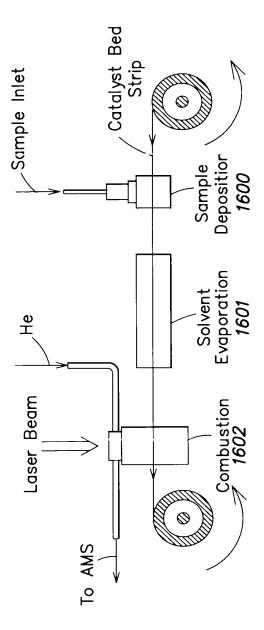


FIG. 16